

such Steam Boat or Vessel as aforesaid, at all times of the tide ; such landing or gangway to be separate and distinct from that used for landing or loading coals or cargo ; and, for the greater security of Passengers, it shall be incumbent upon the Master and Owner of such Vessel or Boat to have a good light placed at each end of such gangway, for one hour at least before leaving the wharf, and continued until her departure, and one hour after arrival at the wharf or place of landing and embarking Passengers, after dark, that is from sunset to sunrise.

III. And be it further enacted, That from and after the first day of May next ensuing the passing of this Act, it shall be the duty of the Master and Owner, or person in charge of any such Steam Boat or Vessel plying in the Waters of New Brunswick and in the Bay of Fundy, in addition to any light which may be required under and by virtue of the eighth section of the first hereinbefore recited Act, to carry at the mast head of such Steam Boat or Vessel, at night, during the time she is under way, and not lower than the top of the funnel, a good, clear and distinct Signal Light, and when within four miles of her port of destination, to place or cause to be placed under the end of the bowsprit of such Vessel, a good, clear and distinct light, which light shall be so kept until alongside of the wharf.

Light to be carried at the mast head, and when within four miles of Port, also under the end of the bowsprit,

IV. And be it enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the Lieutenant Governor or Administrator of the Government for the time being, by and with the advice of Her Majesty's Executive Council, to appoint three Commissioners, resident within the County of Charlotte, for the Harbours and Inland Waters of the said County, in lieu of the three Commissioners mentioned in the said first recited Act, so far as the said Commissioners' powers are thereby extended to the Harbours and Inland Waters of the said County of Charlotte, with the like powers and authorities to the said Commissioners so to be appointed, as are given to other Commissioners mentioned in the seventh section of the said first recited Act.

Three Commissioners, resident in Charlotte County, to be appointed.

V. And be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of the Commissioners duly appointed, as provided in and by the first recited Act hereby renewed and continued, and by this Act, to examine from time to time the several and respective Steam Boats and Vessels plying to or from the respective places for which such Commissioners are appointed, to see that the several provisions of this Act, and the Acts hereby renewed and continued, are complied with, and to make reports from time to time to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor or Administrator of the Government for the time being, as to the efficiency of such Steam Boats or Vessels, and their equipments or otherwise, as the case may be.

Commissioners to examine the Steam Vessels and report to the Lieutenant Governor.

CAP. XXXII.

An Act to encourage the raising and dressing of Hemp.

Passed, 23rd March 1847.

WHEREAS it is believed that the climate and alluvial lands of this Province are favourable to the growth and manufacture of Hemp, and it is expedient to encourage the cultivation of that article by granting a Bounty on the same ;

Preamble.

I. Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, That for the encouragement of the growth of Hemp in this Province, there shall be applied, distributed and paid in Bounties yearly, a sum not exceeding one thousand pounds per annum out of the monies now remaining in or hereafter to be in the Treasury, at and after the rate of ten shillings for every hundred weight of Hemp to be raised within this Province, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty seven, and in every subsequent year during the space of five years, and which shall be broken and properly prepared for Market, to be paid

Bounty granted for the growth and manufacture of Hemp.

paid to the grower or other person who breaks and properly prepares such Hemp for Market.

Oath to be taken by the claimant.

II. And be it enacted, That the grower or person claiming, and who shall be entitled to the said Bounty, in order to entitle himself or herself thereto, shall first take and subscribe the following oath, the same to be set down in writing, that is to say :—

‘ I, A. B., of —, in the County of —, do swear that — hundreds weight of Hemp, broken and properly prepared for Market, and of a good merchantable quality, were really and truly raised on the land occupied by me in the Parish of —, in the County of —, and that the same is actually the crop of the year —, and that no other person, to my knowledge or belief, has applied for, or received any Bounty on the same.

(Signed)

‘ A. B.

‘ Sworn before me at —, this — day of —, 184 —
and I verily believe the statements therein set forth.

‘ C. D., Justice of the Peace.’

Confirmatory oath to be taken by a Witness.

And some credible Witness shall also make oath in writing, subscribed by his name, and annexed to the said affidavit, in the form following, that is to say :—

‘ I, E. F., of —, in the County of —, do swear that I was present at —, on the — day of —, and did see the Hemp mentioned in the annexed affidavit, duly and fairly weighed, that it was previously broken and properly prepared for Market, and that I verily believe it was grown in all respects as set forth in the said affidavit.

(Signed)

‘ E. F.

‘ Sworn before me at —, this — day of —.

‘ C. D., Justice of the Peace.’

Which said affidavits shall be made before any Justice of the Peace of the County where such applicant shall reside, who is hereby authorized to administer the same.

Affidavits to be filed with the Clerk of the Peace, who is to prepare a Schedule, and submit it to the Sessions.

III. And be it enacted, That every such affidavit shall be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Peace of the proper County, at least six days before some General Session of the Peace of the same, and it shall be the duty of such Clerk of the Peace to arrange the several applications in a tabular form, containing the names and residences of the parties applicant, the names of the Magistrates before whom the affidavits had been made, the quantity of, and the Parish in which the Hemp is stated to have been raised, with the several amounts of Bounty claimed; and shall submit the same, together with the said affidavits, unto the Justices assembled at such General Sessions of the Peace: and the said Justices shall thereupon order and direct that the said table, together with the said affidavits, shall be publicly read in the said Court, in the presence and hearing of the Grand Jury, and shall determine and settle all such claims, and shall certify in one general Schedule all such claims as they, the said Justices, shall then allow, and shall within six days after the rising of such Court, transmit such Schedule to the Office of the Secretary of the Province.

Schedule to be read before the Grand Jury, certified, and transmitted to the Secretary's Office.

Authority given to draw on the Treasury.

IV. And be it enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the Lieutenant Governor or Administrator of the Government for the time being, by and with the advice and consent of Her Majesty's Executive Council, to draw by Warrant on the Treasury for the gross amount of the Bounties as set forth in the said Schedule, together with the sum of five per centum on the same, in favor of the

the Clerk of the Peace, such sum of five per centum to be by him retained for his trouble, and the residue to be by him forthwith paid and distributed to the respective claimants.

V. And be it enacted, That no person or persons shall be entitled to any Bounty under the provisions of this Act, unless the quantity of Hemp broken and properly prepared for Market as aforesaid, and for which he, she or they shall claim the Bounty, shall amount to one hundred weight, and in settling claims no Bounty shall be allowed by the Justices for any fractional portion less than a quarter of a hundred weight.

No Bounty to be allowed for less than one hundred weight.

VI. And be it enacted, That any person or persons who shall be guilty of false swearing in any matter or thing connected with this Act, with intent or design to defraud the Treasury, such person or persons so offending, shall be subject to all the pains and penalties of the Law, for wilful and corrupt perjury.

False swearing to induce pains of perjury.

CAP. XXXIII.

An Act to authorize the Justices of the Peace for the County of Carleton to assess the said County for the erection of a Lock-up House at the Grand Falls, in the said County.

Passed 23rd March 1847.

WHEREAS by reason of the great extent of the County of Carleton, the removal to the County Gaol of persons committed for breaches of the Peace and other offences, is oftentimes very expensive and inconvenient; for remedy whereof,

Preamble.

I. Be it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, That the Justices of the Peace of the said County, or the major part of them, at any General Sessions of the Peace hereafter to be holden, be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to contract and agree with able and sufficient workmen, for building and finishing a Lock-up House at the Grand Falls in the said County, and to agree for such sum or sums of money as to them may seem meet, in order to carry into effect this object: and the said Justices, or the major part of them, at their General Sessions as aforesaid, are hereby authorized and empowered to make a rate and assessment on that part of the said County, for a sum not exceeding two hundred pounds, for defraying the expense of the erection and finishing of the said Lock-up House, and to make such rules and regulations for the said Lock-up House, as to them may seem meet.

Contract for erecting a Lock-up House at the Grand Falls may be made,

and the County assessed for the expense, not exceeding £200.

II. And be it enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the High Sheriff of the said County, or any other Officer having legal custody of any person or persons, who shall or may be arrested in the upper parts of the said County, in all cases in which the said Sheriff, or other Officer, could legally lodge the said person or persons in the Common Gaol of the said County, to commit the said person or persons to the said Lock-up House, until the said person or persons can be removed to the said County Gaol: Provided always, nevertheless, that no person under civil arrest shall be detained in the said Lock-up House for any space of time exceeding ninety days.

Commitments to the Lock-up House may be made.

III. And be it enacted, That the said sum, not exceeding two hundred pounds, so to be assessed, shall be assessed, collected and paid agreeably to any Acts in force for the assessing, collecting and levying of County Rates.

Assessments to be levied as other County Rates.